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Sir:

The following Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Examiner's Office Action of November 30, 2005. The present Reply contains the following sections:

Amendments to the Claims (Pages 2-5), and

Remarks (Pages 6-19).